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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Kazuyoshi OYAMA

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For: ELECTRONIC COMPONENT  
MOUNTING APPARATUS

Examiner: Rick K. Chang

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to the next examination of this application in consequence of the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, please amend this application as follows:

**The listing of claims begins on page 2.**

**The Remarks begin on page 5.**